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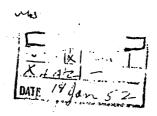
1. According to information given by Hugo FRISCHMANN, deputy editor-in-chief with the Line Communist Stily "Neue Zeit', to source, whom FRISCHMANN believes a secret Communist, the article entitled 'Von Otto Habsburg to Ganaval', published on January 10, 1952, with the Vienna Communist daily 'Der Abend', was written by Dr. Kurt WESSELY.

2. WESSELY had offered said article to PRISCHMANN, but the latter, who is also Upper Austrian representative of 'Abend', considered it worth being published with 'Abend' and, with WESSELY's consent', passed the manuscript on to Vienna. WESSELY himself considered it wise to have the article published at Vienna as not to have his authorship become known at Linz.

y. PRISCHMANN further stated that Communist Party intelligence had lines to the so-called independent press and was thoroughly informed on all internal affairs with its editors staff. Former difficulties especially with 'Salsburger Wachrichten' had been settled shortly ago.

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